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For: NOVEL INTERACTION BETWEEN PROTEINS, AND THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR DISUSE MUSCULAR ATROPHY OR METHOD ASSOCIATED WITH DISUSE MUSCULAR ATROPHY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF NOVEL INTERACTION	) ) )	Date: November 27, 2007

## **STATUS INQUIRY**

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Sir:

The U.S. National Phase was entered in the U.S. Designated/Elected Office on June 7, 2006 for the above-identified application and a response to the Notification of Missing Requirements was filed on April 26, 2007. Please advise, in writing, as to the current status of this application and when the Notice of Acceptance and Filing Receipt is expected to be mailed.

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